

MAYORAL ORDER NUMBER 4 DUE TO PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY GATHERINGS AT TEXAS A&M

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the Mayor of College Station issued a proclamation declaring a state of disaster for the City of College Station resulting from the threat of a public health emergency resulting from coronavirus disease 2019, now designated SARS-CoV2, (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, on April 21, 2020, May 22, 2020, June 22, 2020, and July 22, 2020, pursuant to \$418.014 of the Texas Government Code the proclamations for the state of disaster were renewed, until terminated by the College Station City Council; and

WHEREAS, said state of disaster requires that certain emergency measures be taken pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 418; and

WHEREAS, the conditions necessitating declaration of a state of disaster and mayoral orders continue to exist; and

WHEREAS, the Governor issued Executive Order GA-28 on June 26, 2020, providing protocols relating to public and private gatherings, including occupancy limits, and such order was amended by the Governor's July 2, 2020, proclamation lowering gathering size in excess of ten (10) people; and

WHEREAS, under Executive Order GA-28 as amended, until such order is otherwise modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the Governor, all outdoor gatherings in excess of ten (10) people (excluding those listed in paragraphs 1, 2, and 4 of GA-28) are prohibited, unless the mayor of the city in which the gathering is held, or the county judge in the case of a gathering in an unincorporated area, approves the gathering; and

WHEREAS, Texas A&M University is a state agency located within the limits of the City of College Station and has primary control, authority and jurisdiction over state lands and facilities it owns or controls; and

WHEREAS, as Mayor of the City of College Station, I have determined that the President of Texas A&M University has the best access to the information and considerations necessary to approve those gatherings occurring on Texas A&M University's property;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COLLEGE STATION:

- 1. The facts and recitations set forth in this Order are true and correct and are incorporated herein.
- 2. The Governor issued Executive Order GA-28 on June 26, 2020, providing protocols relating to public and private gatherings, including occupancy limits. Executive Order GA-28 was amended by the Governor's July 2, 2020, proclamation lowering gathering size in excess of ten (10) people.
- **3.** Until otherwise modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the Governor, all outdoor gatherings in excess of ten (10) people (excluding those listed in paragraphs 1, 2, and 4 of GA-28), occurring within the City of College Station, must be pre-approved by the Mayor.
- **4.** As Texas A&M University is a state agency and has primary control, authority and jurisdiction over state lands and facilities it owns or controls, the authority delegated to the Mayor from the Governor to approve gatherings as stated above is delegated to the Texas A&M University President for any gathering over ten (10) people on land or at facilities owned, controlled or under the jurisdiction of Texas A&M University within the City of College Station, subject to conditions consistent with the CDC and the Brazos County Health District recommendations to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.
- **5.** Texas A&M University will make information available regarding approval and denial of gatherings held on Texas A&M University property to the Mayor ensuring the Mayor has sufficient information regarding the delegation of such authority.
- **6.** This order does not regulate any official Texas A&M University sponsored events or official Texas A&M University sponsored student organization events.
- **7.** This order shall take effect immediately and remain in effect until terminated by the Mayor or in the event Executive Order GA-28 and its progeny are amended or terminated by the Governor.

DECLARED this 13th day of August, 2020.

APPROVED:	ATTEST:
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Mayor	City Secretary
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City Attorney	